We, the undersign'd being impress'd with the importance of having good music in the "Sanctuary of the Most High", do agree to unite ourselves into an association for the purpose, as far as it lays in our power of effecting that desirable end. And that the duties of the Orchestra may be conducted with propriety and decorum, do also agree to the following laws and regulations, by adopting them as a

Constitution.

Article 1st
Of the name and objects of the association.

This association shall be call'd the "Choral Association of Christ Church": and its object shall be the introduction and use of good music in the said church. Provided, however, that no music shall be used by it which shall be in any wise of a light and unseemly character, or at all inconsistent with the Establish'd forms and services of the Prot. Epis. Church.

Article 2nd
Of the Officers.

The officers shall be,
Two Directors,
(a First and Second Director).
One Curator.
A Secretary, and Treasurer.

Article 3rd
Of the duties of the Officers.

The Directors shall have control over the selection and arrangement of the music, and the disposition of the several parts. They shall at all times exercise a general supervision over the affairs of the association, and act as President and Vice P. at all its meetings.

The Curator shall have charge of, and be accountable for, all the property of the association: provide each member with his or her proper music previously to the commencement of the service; and

report the state of the Books and furniture at every stated meeting.

The Secretary shall keep minutes of all the proceedings of the association, and give notice to the members of the time and place of meeting.
He shall in a separate book record the title of any music that may be used by the choir on Sundays, and at such other times as the it may attend divine service in the church.

The Treasurer shall be accountable for all monies that may be paid over to him, and shall apply them to such uses as may be ordered by the Society.

Article 4th
Of meetings.

There shall be a Stated meeting held at such place as the Society shall appoint, on the first Monday in each month; at which meeting the roll shall be call'd, and all absentees shall pay a fine of twelve and a half cents.

Article 5th
Of members.

The association shall consist of ten male members, and ten female members: but the latter shall be exempted from the duty of attending any meetings except for rehearsal.

In case of a vacancy in the female members of the association, the name of a person to supply the same shall be proposed by the remaining female members, (after having been agreed to by a majority of them) and may then be balloted for at any Stated meeting.

In case of a vacancy in the male members of the association, the name of a person to supply the same, may be balloted for at any Stated meeting having been proposed at some previous meeting.

Article 6th
Of the relations of the Associ.n to the Church.

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a copy of the Constitution shall be handed to the committee of the Vestry to be laid before the Vestry and as often as any change shall take place, the same shall be communicated in like manner.

So long as the association shall continue, it will conform to the instructions which the Vestry, or any person authorized by it, shall give in relation to Church music.

During divine service the Choir will conform to the rubrics in the responses in like manner as the other members of the congregation.

No person, except members of the Choir or vestry, or the officers of the church, shall at any time during divine service, be admitted into the Orchestra.

Article 7th
of alterations of the Constitution

This constitution may at any time be altered, by a provision to that effect being made at a stated meeting, and adopted at a subsequent stated meeting. But the affirmative votes of two thirds of the whole number of members shall be necessary for any alteration.

Article 8th
Of Elections

The election for officers shall take place annually on the first Monday in January.

Sign'd

Wm. F. Wayne	Eliz. Cooper
Jas. C. Stand	S. Bringhurst
Wm. B. Cooper	Jane L. A. Souder
Thos. C. Stand	Eliza C. Souder
Chas. Clarke	Mrs. A. S. Keysham
Robt. Keysham	Maria L. Boyer
Edm. Souder	Sarah L. Souder
	Harriet Souder

Phil. Nov 5. 1832

At an election held immediately upon the adoption of the constitution the following persons were elected until the first Monday in Jan. 1833

First director -	Wm. F. Wayne
Sec[d] director	Jas. C. Stand
Curator	Thos. C. Stand
Sec[y] and Treas	Wm. B. Cooper.

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Constitution of the
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handed in to Vestry 22 Decr 1832.—